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SUBJECT: NEW GABONESE AMBASSADOR TO UK

1. GOG MINFON AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 27 THAT HMG HAS GRANTED AGREEMENT TO DEWARD TEALE AS NEW GABONESE AMBASSADOR TO UK, WITH RESIDENCE IN LONDON.

2. TEALE HAS BEEN IN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE SINCE ABOUT 1970, AND HAS SERVED IN ROME (RESPONSIBLE FOR RELATION WITH FAO), YAOUNDE AND BRAZZAVILLE. DURING LATE 1960S HE HELD SUCCESSION OF POSTS IN AGRUCULTURAL FIELD, INCLUDING DIRECTOR OF AGRUCULTURAL SERVICES IN MINISTRY AND LATER DIRECTOR GENERAL OF NATINAL OFFICE FOR COMMERCIALIZATION OF AGRICULTURE.

3. TEALES FATHER WAS REPORTEDLY UK CONSUL GENERAL FOR FORMER FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA AND MANAGER OF HOLLANDO, A LIBREVILLE TRADING COMPANY. HE WAS FAVORABLEY KNOWN TO THIS EMBASY DURING HIS TENURE AT MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, AND WAS REPORTEDLY FRIENDLY AND OUTGOING. TEALE HAS AN ATTRACTIVE AND CONGENIAL WIFE WHO, LIKE HIMSELF, IS A METISSE OF MIXED EUORPEAN AND AFRICAN ANCESTRY.

4. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION WHICH BECOMES AVAILABLE IN CURSE TEALES SERVICE IN LONDON, AS WELL AS ANY INFORMATION CURRENTLY AVAILABLE ON OUTGOING GOG AMBASSAOR JOSEPH N'GOUA. STEIGMAN
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